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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
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On April 24, 1968, a confidential source who is in regular contact with District Attorney Jim Garrison's office advised that District Attorney Jim Garrison believes that Dr. Alton Ochsner, a prominent New Orleans physician and a founder of the Ochsner Clinic and Ochsner Foundation Hospital, is one of the principals involved in the conspiracy to assassinate President John F. Kennedy. According to the source, Garrison bases his belief on the fact that Dr. Ochsner was closely involved with the Cuban element in New Orleans prior to Kennedy's assassination.

The source also related that at the present time, the District Attorney's office is concentrating its investigative efforts in attempts to show a relationship between Dr. Ochsner and a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.

It is to be noted that a WDSU radio news report on June 27, 1967, reported that William H. Gurvich, former Chief Aid to District Attorney Jim Garrison in the Kennedy assassination probe, said District Attorney Jim Garrison planned other arrests in New Orleans on charges of accessories after the fact listing those to be arrested as one of the most prominent doctors of international reputation, two Cuban refugee leaders, a FBI Agent assigned to the local office, the owner of one of the largest local hotels, and a leading New Orleans coffee importer. The news report stated that Gurvich declined to furnish the names of those individuals Garrison planned to arrest.

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